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SUBJECT: QATARI ARMS SHIPMENT HELD AT LONDON AIRPORT

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1. DEPARTMENT AUTHORIZED EXPORT OF 12 MAC M-10 9MM SUBMACHINE GUNS, 48 MAC M-10 EXTRA MAGAZINES, 12 MAC M-10 SLINGS AND 10,000 RDS 9MM AMMUNITION TO QATAR UNDER LICENSE 17003 ISSUED MAY 18, 1976 TO CRAWFORD INTERNATIONAL, WASHINGTON, D.C. APPLICATION/LICENSE ACCOMPANIED BY LETTER FROM EMBASSY OF STATE OF QATAR TO CRAWFORD INTERNATIONAL ORDERING EQUIPMENT AND A CONSIGNEE PURCHASER TRANSACTION STATEMENT; BOTH DOCUMENTS DTD 5/17/76 AND SIGNED BY FIRST SECRETARY ABDUL RAHMAN AL-WOHAIBI. EMBASSY OF THE STATE OF QATAR SHOWN ON APPLICATION/LICENSE AS CONSIGNOR IN UNITED STATES AND ARMED FORCES, STATE OF QATAR, DOHA, QATAR SHOWN AS FOREIGN CONSIGNEE. (FYI QATARI EMBASSY HAS PLACED FREQUENT ORDERS FOR ARMS AND AMMUNITION WITH COMMERCIAL CONFIDENTIAL

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CONCERNS, GENERALLY ON BEHALF OF COUNTRY POLICE DEPT.

THESE ORDERS PROCESSED PURSUANT TO REQUIREMENTS SET FORTH IN REF(A) AND ISSUANCE OF LICENSES HAS INTRA-DEPARTMENTAL CONCURRENCE. END FY1)

2. EQUIPMENT EXPORTED 6/5/76 ON PAN AM FLIGHT NO. 106
FROM DULLES INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT AND DECLARED TO U.S.
CUSTOMS AS BOOKS. UPON LEARNING OF MIXUP, DEPARTMENT
APPROACHED EMBASSY OF QATAR FOR EXPLANATION. EMBASSY
ADVISED THAT IT AWARE OF PROBLEM AND TAKING CORRECTIVE
MEASURES. EXPLAINED THAT ADMINISTRATIVE EMPLOYEE HAD
TAKEN EQUIPMENT TO DULLES FOR EXPORT AND DECLARED IT AS
BOOKS BECAUSE OF NERVOUSNESS AT SHIPPING WEAPONS.
EMBASSY ASSURED DEPARTMENT MATTER WOULD BE CLEARED UP
WITH BOTH US AND UK AUTHORITIES. KISSINGER

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